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Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted (copy attached) mailed on February 9, 2000, submitted herewith is the executed Declaration of the inventors. Any specification attached to and referenced in the Declaration is a copy of the specification and any amendments thereto which were filed in the Office in order to obtain a filing date for the application.

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